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OFFICE—Near Imperial Bank, Rosser Av.

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**BARRISTERS, SOLICITORS, ETC.,**  
Solicitors for the Imperial Bank of Canada.  
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SURGEON AND ACCOUCHEUR.  
Residence, Rosser Avenue, over  
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M. D., F. M. Medi. P. S. Que.  
Physician, Surgeon and Accoucheur.  
Residence—Corner Rosser Av. and  
South Street, over old post office.  
BRANDON.

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Graduate of Trinity University, Toronto.  
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Graduate of Trinity University, Toronto, V. C. P.  
Residence—Atkinson's Store, Cor.  
Rosser and 8th Street, Brandon.

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Special filling a specialty.

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**VETERINARY SURGEON.**  
Graduate of McGill University, and of the  
Montreal Veterinary College.  
Veterinarian for the Counties of Brandon  
and Dennis.

**R. P. MULLIGAN,**  
WHOLESALE WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANT,  
8th Street, Brandon, Man.

**A. F. & A. G. M.**  
Regular meeting night of Brandon Lodge,  
the second Tuesday in each month.  
Visiting breakfast invited.

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A. L. MCMLIAN, Sec.

## Public Notice!

Is hereby given that pursuant to an Order of His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, in Council, all and every appointment hereinafter mentioned, the Postmaster General of North West Territories, will be cancelled on the first day of January next, except of such Justices of the Peace, as on the said date may be residing in those parts of the Territories lying North of the Provisional Districts of Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and that all persons holding such appointments all persons holding a commission of the Peace, except as aforesaid, are warned against exercising any of the duties of Justices of the Peace, from and after the said first day of January 1886.

Regina, 6th December 1885.

By command, A. R. FORGET,  
Clerk of Council and Secretary to the Lieutenant Governor.

Branches in Ontario and Quebec:—

Ottawa,  
Owen Sound,  
Peter  
Prescott,  
Quebec  
Gatineau,  
Renfrew,  
Stratford,  
Hamilton,  
Guelph,  
Kincardine,  
Kincardine,  
London,  
Montreal,  
Walkerton.  
Windsor.

Bethelville,  
Brantford,  
Chatham,  
Galt,  
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Kincardine,  
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London,  
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Bankers in New York.—The Bank of New York

Bankers in St. Paul.—The First National Bank.

Bankers in Minneapolis.—The Security Bank of

Minneapolis.

Sketches showing the position of the timber which

will be licensed, together with the conditions on

which it will be licensed, may be obtained at this department

or at the Crown Timber Office, at Winnipeg and Prince Albert.

A. M. BURGESS,  
Department of the Minister of the Interior,  
Ottawa, Dec. 5th, 1885.

SEALED TENDERS, addressed to the undersigned and marked "Tenders for a timber berth," will be received at the Post Office, on Monday, the 11th day of January next, for a timber berth in a tract of land, situated on the Nelson River, about 75 miles below the discharge thereof in Lake Winnipeg, and being partly in the Provisional District of Saskatchewan, and partly in that of Keewatin, N. W. T.

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JOHN PARR,  
Sec-Treas., Bradwardine P.O.

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**COCK-FIGHTING.****How the Chicken Disputes of Our Forefathers Were Conducted.**

With all the antiquarian knowledge of the present day, we doubt whether one man in a thousand could give a tolerably accurate description of the cock-fights of his forefathers. How cock-fighting is conducted at present we do not pretend to know; but ancient writing hath its literature, and, besides, the written word, there is considerable tradition concerning it, which some of us are old enough to have received from the very mouths of our parents.

The first and most important point in cock-fighting was the weight of the birds. In most agreements for a cock-fight—articles for a cock-match—it was the technical phrase—it was stipulated that no cock should weigh less than three pounds six ounces, or more than four pounds eight ounces. When the cocks of each side had been weighed, the next thing was to pair them. This was done by matching all the cocks on either side whose weights came within one ounce of each other. The lightest pair of cocks were always made to fight first, and then those gradually heavier, until the heaviest pair fought last. This venerable rule had been in use since the days of King Charles II. Although the combs of the birds were always cut, they had to appear "with a fair haunch, not too near shorn or out, nor with any other fraud." The spurs were usually of iron, at least in the great matches. At the time appointed for the cock fight to begin, the "masters of the match" took their seats opposite to each other, on either side of the cockpit, accompanied by two officials termed the "setters-to." Then the two "feuders" appeared, each carrying a cock. After due examination, the birds were made over to the setters to, and they handed them to the masters of the match, who started the fun by putting the cocks upon the mat on the floor of the cockpit. The next part of the business the cocks managed for themselves. The "noble sport" now began in earnest, and sometimes two good birds would fight until one cock had killed the other or thrashed him to helplessness. But not uncommonly after a sharp round, both cocks would suspend hostilities to gain breath, and withdrawing to a little distance, each would watch the other, in the hope of catching him in a careless or listless moment. For a short time this rather added to the excitement of the spectators; but human patience soon became exhausted when two cocks stood solemnly eyeing each other. Now the limit of time for cocks to gole without fighting was fixed at the interval during which an official, called "the teller of the law," could count forty. When this limit was passed, human science was brought to the assistance of the birds. The setters-to then caught them, and carrying them to the middle of the pit, "delivered them on their legs, beak to beak." If either of them had been blinded in the previous battle, their heads were to be made to touch each other. If one cock refused to fight, he was tried ten times, and he had to refuse to fight as many times before he was considered beaten. It sometimes happened that the cock who would fight, died from his wounds before his adversary had refused ten times, and in that case the craven bird was considered to have won the battle. The law further provided rules in case both cocks refused to fight, as well as in other cases which it is hardly necessary that we should enumerate; but they were nearly all based on the principle that "the teller of the law" should count forty, twenty or ten, according to circumstances, between the intervals of the fights. It will be readily understood, from this description, that a great part of a cock-fight was occupied by the setters-to squatting opposite to each other in the middle of the pit and delivering the cocks on their legs, beak to beak."

Cock-fighting was fashionable in Greece at least five hundred years B.C., and it was probably a very ancient sport in China, where it is still highly popular. In India, again, cock-fighting is an institution of very great antiquity. Mr. Doyle, in his book on poultry, assumes that the Britons practised cock-fighting before the landing of Caesar, from the statement of that author to the effect that the Britons only reared their fowls for amusement. Both Henry VIII. and James I. were fond of "cocking." Oliver Cromwell legislated against it, but Charles II. revived it. The Royal Cockpit at Westminster, which was the head quarters of cock-fighting, was established by Henry VIII. and even in the present century mains have been fought in it. Newcastle has been the scene of numberless cock-fights. Indeed, it may be said that for a long time cock-fighting went hand-in-hand with racing, and it used to be reported in the official racing calendar, which was then called the *Sporting Calendar*, that at Newcastle-upon-Tyne, during the race meeting the gentlemen of Durham and Northumberland fought a "main of cocks," consisting of thirty-eight battles, and ending in a drawn main. It is said that 1,000 game cocks have been killed in fights during one week at Newcastle. The gentlemen of the same counties fought another main, at the Durham races of the same year, when Northumberland won, after thirty-four battles had been fought. Although the matches were sometimes made between individuals, it was more usual for the mains at races to be fought between cocks belonging to the gentlemen of two adjoining counties. Ten guineas each battle, and one or two hundred on "the odd," seem to have been the usual stakes; but there was an immense amount of bet-

ting, and the odds were calculated to a great nicety. Hoyle gives a table of odds which is quite appalling. For instance, he quotes one case in which the betting is 1,343,421-7,821,875 to 1 against a certain contingency. Mr. Doyle mentions a cock-fight in India for "a lac of rupees (£10,000)," but it is probable that more money has been lost and won over cock-fighting in England than in any other country.—*London Saturday Review*.

—A German doctor claims to have invented a machine for looking into the brain.

**BOWEL DERANGEMENTS.****The Danger of the Affliction and Its Most Natural Treatment.**

That the worst forms of bowel complaints result, and that directly, from eating and drinking, far more than from climate and sudden changes of the temperature, can not admit of a reasonable doubt. Most of this indigestion is referable to rapid eating, insufficient chewing, the food, as it reaches the stomach, being unprepared for the second stage of the digestive process, from the use of improper food, that too taxing to the digestive organs, the use of crude and unripe, or partially decayed fruits, to irregularity in eating, excess, etc. And here it may be remarked that it is rare, so many are governed more by mere taste, than by the judgment and conscience, in the selection of their food, to have due regard to the proper proportion of the various kinds of food used, while the majority take far more food than the system demands. This may be particularly true in the use of meats and mutton, in country in which both can be had in abundance, or in city, if one has the means for the purchase of them. While it is generally admitted, in decent times—that ripe and fresh fruits are wholesome, these may be particularly used in excess, often proving a curse rather than a blessing in accordance with the rule of diet. This follows in part, from the fact that some persons regard them as outside the realm of food, to be taken at any time, in any quantities, as a mere sensual indulgence. Instead of being taken as a part of the meals, they are often taken in large quantities, at the close, in addition to a sufficient quantity of food, and between meals, severely taxing the digestive organs. Though most of these are easy of digestion, compared with ordinary foods, there is an added labor, too often crushing tools, so distending the stomach that much undigested food passes into the bowels in an unprepared state, irritating and inflaming them, preparing the way for serious derangements and disease.

I will here remark that dysentery is usually preceded by constipation, and that as strange as it may seem, this state, a stoppage continues during the worst stage of the disease, the improvement immediately following the relief. If physic may ever be given, this is the time for its administration, *during dysentery!* It is a matter of vital importance to avoid having any crude or undigested food pass into the bowels in this disease. The disease is continued, aggravated and often rendered uncontrollable, by such irritants, to avoid which it is necessary to discard solid food, even milk, which solidifies before digestion—taking liquids which will in no respect tax digestion, still affording all needed nourishment. Such liquids can be prepared from a thin gruel made of the "whole gluten," strained and perfectly clear, very nourishing and bland. This may be given once in two hours, if needed, as it does not require digestion or mucus, mucus in the circulatory system. This will furnish all necessary nourishment, though it may be well to add a little pure and clear juice of some fruits, as the peach, ripe and fresh, in its best condition, with that of similar traits. With such foods, with no irritants introduced into the bowels, of course cleaned by warm water in enemas, the disease ought soon to yield.—Dr. J. H. Bradford, in *Golden Rule*.

**LOCAL REVENUE ACCOUNTS.**

His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor has laid before the Council a report of the Receipts and Expenditures on account of the General Local Revenue Fund of the North-West Territories, from 1st July, 1884 to the 31st October, 1885. The following is a recapitulation:—

RECEIPTS.	
Auctioneer License.....	\$320 00
Railroad.....	2,658 00
Pedlers.....	100 00
Hawkers.....	25 00
Marriage.....	182 00
Commissioners for taking affidavits.....	45 00
Municipalities.....	350 00
Sale of Stray Horses.....	422 00
Fines under ordinances.....	1,039 00
Liquor Permits.....	3,864 00
Sales of Ordinances.....	39 50
Ferry Licenses.....	35 00
Hen Law.....	24 00
Refund by Dominion Government.....	2,400 00
Notaries Public Fee.....	210 00
Total \$11,425 23	
Amount on hand July 1st 1885.	3,584 10
	15,010 00

  

EXPENDITURE.	
Administration of Justice.....	\$556 00
Clerical Assistance.....	700 00
Herd Law.....	108 00
Miscellaneous.....	229 75
Printing.....	506 76
Postage.....	90 00
Registration of Marriage Certs.....	100 00
School Districts (to be refunded).....	392 59
Expenditure under Vote of Cont'l Session 1884.....	5,921 35
Municipalities.....	389 83
Total \$2,456 00	
Receipts.....	16,010 00
Expenditure.....	8,245 00
Balance on hand Oct. 31st 1885.	6,564 29

**Xmas and the Holidays**

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**THE MAIL BOOKSTORE****POST OFFICE BUILDING,**

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We have a full assortment of Photo and Autograph Albums, Purses (Ladies' and Gents.), Ladies Satchels in leather and plush, Vases, Cups and Saucers, Mugs, Writing Desks, Work Boxes, Toilet Cases (ladies' and Gents') Bracelets, Shirt Studs, Cuff Buttons, Rings—in gold and silver, and in fact everything that eye can wish for or thought suggest.

**TOYS, TOYS, TOYS.**

In this line we have everything to please the little ones. Sleighs, Whips, Tin goods in endless variety, Games, Blocks, Dolls, China Sets, Surprise Boxes, Shell Goods, China and Wooden Animals and Structures and everything else the little folks can ask for.

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Everything is complete. School and Office Stationery and supplies of every description: Books for presents, in cloth and morocco. Prize books for schools, Bibles and church books for every denomination. In paper covers we have everything in the favorite authors—Dicken's, Scott, Cooper, The Dutchess, Bessant, Block, Braddon, Carlyle, Bertha M. Clay, Wilkie Collins, Gabrial, E. P. Roe, Irving, Lytton, Ouida, Thackery and others: over 1,000 different books to choose from. The greatest assortment to be found in any store in the country.

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Yet to choose from. These goods will be sold wholesale and retail and at the lowest prices to cash prices.

Remember we have nearly everything the public may ask for, nor there is no chance for disappointment when you call.

Get your Xmas Goods while the assortment is complete. They will be sold now as low as any time in the season, and by calling early, you will have a better assortment to select from.



# THE BRANDON WEEKLY MAIL.

*Brandon Weekly Mail,*

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1885.

## THE FACTS.

The Micado and the Tycoon who are running the Grit print in this city conjointly never open their mouths but they put their four feet down their throats to the knees. In its last issue, the print made a desperate attempt to show that Ald. Bucke was a weak representative, and the argument was because he was tied by a candidate who was never in the council before. Now, Mr. White, the nominal manager of the concern, makes no bones of the fact that "Bucks" deserves credit for getting elected by any majority as me and Peterson laid a plot to trap him, and we done our best to carry it to a successful issue." He need not have said that as he and the other head of the print were a unit on this matter, as the entire community knows, that like the Siamese twins, it is a physical impossibility for the one to breathe without the consent of the other. However, in the face of the story of the best laid plans of "mice and men," Bucks pulled the highest vote in his ward. But argument like that employed by the print is a two-edged sword with the keenest edge on the necks of the parties who used it. The public are aware that the prime hoisted the banner of Mr. A. C. Fraser, in connection with the Mayoralty, and Mr. Bucks' name was only mentioned on the same list as the print chose to mention it. If then Mr. Bucks is a weak man because he only led the third candidate by four votes, what about the strength of Mr. Fraser, who was defeated by four votes by Mr. Burns, who was never in the council before? Let the Micado and the Tycoon employ their hammers at their leisure, to crack this nut.

The cause of Mr. Lee's defeat was an organized Grit plan to accomplish it. The Conservative vote of the ward was distributed on the three candidates, while the Grit vote with three or four exceptions was "plumped" for Mr. McKenzie alone. Had the thirty-five who plumped for McKenzie divided their second vote between Lee and Hanbury in any proportion both, would have been elected. That there was an organization to effect that "plumping" is quite apparent, and the spirit that prompted it is beneath contempt. It may not, however, be out of place to inform the public that Mr. Hanbury was one of the candidates nominated at that so-called Tory meeting.

As we have said before it was owing to a breach of trust that Mr. Johnston was beaten in ward two. When he was canvassing for himself and Stewart, the Mayor was discriminating for Stewart and against the other.

Mr. Dickinson was not at all anxious for re-election and his defeat may be attributed to his lack of canvass, as his business required too much of his attention at home.

It may be possible the new councillors will do as well as the old ones, but it is a certainty they can never do better, and when the causes of the changes are at all dealt with the unqualified truth should be told.

## DESPONDENT AFTER ALL.

By the following from the Globe, it is evident the Grits have given up the idea of "ousting" the government on the Riel question. Whenever the Grit party learn that the country is against them, which is almost the unvarying circumstance, their leading points attribute the defeat to some bad doings of the Tories.

QUEBEC, Dec. 14.—The Riel meeting in Montmorency county yesterday was broken up by a repetition of the same organized rowdyism as disgraced the Quebec West meeting, and was attempted more recently again at Beauce on Saturday night. The Quebec National Committee were warned that the two Conservative members for the county, Valin and Desjardins, had recruited a

POWERFUL GANG OF ELECTION BULLIES from the city and surrounding country in pursuance of instruction from Ottawa with the intention of preventing any expression of opinion by the Montmorency people, and it was in consequence advised to take precautions, and to meet force by force. After some discussion it was decided to take no protective measures which might provoke bloodshed, but to leave the disgraceful responsibility of such violence and rowdyism as might occur to its promoters. Indeed, so notorious was the fact that Valin and Desjardins had hired a desperate

ORGANIZATION TO BREAK UP THE MEETING at all costs, that the parish priest of Chateau Richer at Divine service before the assembly took place, had openly referred to it in the severest terms from the pulpit, and begged his parishioners to restrain their just indignation. After mass, when the meeting opened, the chairman selected was hardly allowed to state its object before the

HIRELINGS AND BULLIES began to put in their work, yelling, fighting and endeavouring to tear down the speakers from the platform. In the melee a number of Montmorency people were brutally assaulted, and finally the meeting was broken up with disorder.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

From the published report of the Farmers' Union Convention in Winnipeg last week, the long-wished for Hudson's Bay Railway can be considered a settled thing—almost. Vanderbilt-Purvis, Rothschild-Bailey, Gould Robinson and James A. Johnston have taken the scheme in hand, and we can look

for "business" now, in that direction. The Hudson's Bay is out of the bailiwick of the sheriffs of Manitoba.

Rather rough on the Hugh Sutherland crowd that after all their hard work and the expenditure of \$25,000 in preliminary expenses such a wealthy syndicate as the one here named should scoop in their great Franchise!

We hardly think it fair or patriotic in Purvis to thus revenge himself on Van Horne and the C. P. R.

If Gould-Robinson, will wack-up with us on that \$25,000 "the known about," we will call it square, and be prepared to let the thing drop.

We Canadians have been rejoicing at the completion of our gigantic trans-continental railway. Our Yankee cronies are jealous of our great highway from ocean to ocean. Our beloved Queen has added her congratulations at our success.

The people of Japan and Australasia are rejoicing at the prospects of a new and quick route to the east. Messrs. Stephen and Angus have gone to England and assisted by Sir John Macdonald are endeavoring to secure a part of the huge contract now enjoyed by the Oriental Steamship Company, of carrying the mails to India. There is so much wheat in Manitoba ready for shipment the C. P. R. haven't cars to carry it out.

The Company's earnings are increasing, its stock is going up—in short business is booming and all is lovely with our great railway, and things were shaping themselves exactly as those interested wanted them.

But alas! stern fate is here! The spell is broken! All chance of future success is gone!

And the fondest hopes of Stephen, Donald A., Angus and Van Horne are dashed on the rocks of destiny! But why? Well, have not Vanderbilt-Purvis, Rothschild-Bailey, Gould-Robinson, with Grievance-Jones and Elder Toots, Bishop-Fleming and the rest of the gang put their feet on it? You bet they have.

What chance we would like to know

will the Canadian Pacific have now with this blizzard of financial and literary talent against it? Manitoba Hard may survive a slight frost, and a child may get over the measles, but we fail to see how the C. P. R. can get over the dire calamity of their Vice-President having dared to snub the "Micado" of the Farmers' Union!

## LAID TO REST.

On Friday last, the remains of the late Chief McMillan were laid to rest in the cemetery, and the appearance of the city during the afternoon, and the extent of the funeral procession, bore evidence of the high esteem in which he was held while living, by all acquainted with him, and by all the societies with which he was connected. For some time before the funeral, and until the close of the day, nearly the whole of the business places on Rosser Avenue were draped in mourning, and all of the business places were closed, from 2 p. m. until the last act of man towards him was fully closed. From a little after two till the procession had passed, the principal streets were lined with people, and many of the windows of people who could not well leave their houses were crowded with spectators. Shortly after three o'clock the remains were lowered from the upstairs of the residence of the deceased, on the corner of 6th st. and Rosser avenue, and were held for some moments under the Masonic services recited on such occasions were closed. Then the procession formed, the Band, the Masons, the Oddfellows, the Fire Co., the City Council and officials, the school children, citizens on foot and citizens in vehicles, taking proper order, and forming a line of nearly half a mile in length, the band playing "The Dead March in Saul," and other music adapted to such solemn occasions. As the deceased was buried under the auspices of the Masonic Fraternity the services of the society, were, of course, observed at all stages of the ceremony. There were present from Plum Creek, Portage la Prairie, Carberry, Winnipeg and villages around members of the Masonic craft and others to pay their last respects to the memory of the departed, who was held in high favor, as a man and an official, by all who had formed his acquaintance.

The newly elected Alferman Burns was the Marshall of the day, and he managed the entire proceedings in the best of system and order. Since the sad occurrence that was the cause of his untimely end, his life and history are the chief subject of conversation in the city, and no one has a right to say but what is in his favor. In life he deserved a better position than he ever held, as he was a natural born detective, and with more scope, he should have distinguished himself amongst all others in such a capacity. He had the faculty of measuring men at a glance, and could intuitively select offenders from very indefinite descriptions in a crowd at any time. As he was but a young man, 39 years of age, his acquaintances feel that the cause of justice has lost one who might have yet taken a high rank and society mourns the departure of a useful member. However, it is now over, and the circumstances attending the close of his earthly career bring prominently to memory the words of a noted writer: "There is a Divinity that shapes our ends, rough hem them as we may." There is, however, one consoling thought in the melancholy affair, and that is that he has left his wife and family in good living circumstances. Besides a farm near here, and some properties in Chatham, Ont. and elsewhere, his life was insured in accident and other companies for nearly, if not quite, \$12,000.

## CITY COUNCIL.

At the meeting Monday there were present Alds. Bucke, Stewart, Arthur, Cameron, Hughes, Johnson, Barclay, Robison and Kavanagh. The Mayor in the chair.

Last minutes read and signed.

REPORTS.

Health, Relief—Total expenditure \$195, leaving a balance of \$201 in hands. Report

## VITAL QUESTIONS.

### CHAPTER I.

Ask any or all of the most eminent physicians: "What is the best and only remedy that can prevail on to cure all diseases of the kidneys and urinary organs; such as Bright's disease, diabetes, retention or inability to retain urine, and all the excesses or ailments peculiar to Women?"

Ask any or all of the most eminent physicians: "What is the most reliable and surest cure for all liver diseases or dyspepsia; constipation, indigestion, biliousness, malaria, fever, ague, &c., and they will tell you:

"Mandrake or Damiana!!!"  
How when these remedies are combined with others equally valuable,

And compounded into Hop Bitters, such a wonderful and mysterious curative power is developed, which is so varied in its operations that no disease or ill health can possibly exist or resist its power, and yet it is

Harmless for the most frail woman, weakest invalid or smallest child to use.

### CHAPTER II.

Ask any or all of the most eminent physicians: "What is the best and only remedy for Patients suffering from agony of mind or body, particularly dying?"

For cases of consumption, &c., physicians of Bright's and other kidney diseases, liver complaints, severe coughs, called consumption have been cured.

Women gone nearly crazy!!!

From agony of mind or nervousness, wakefulness and other diseases peculiar to women.

People in pain out of shape by excruciating pangs of rheumatism, inflammatory and chronic, or suffering from scrofula.

Erysipelas!

Salt rheum, blood poisoning, dyspepsia, indigestion and all acute and chronic diseases.

Nature is their doctor.

Have been cured by Hop Bitters, proof of which can be found in every neighborhood in the known world.

None genuine without a bunch of hops on the white label. Shun all the vile, one-stuff with "Hops" or "Hops" in their name.

adopted.

### FINANCE.

That the following accounts be paid:

\$14 for returning officers and clerks.

MAIL office, \$81. W. J. White, #6. Sun office, polling booth, \$4. F. G. A. Henderson, \$28. Interest \$11.90.

That letter of Dr. M. McMillan re carpet be filed.

That the account of M. McDonald Registrar be sent to City Solicitor. A letter from the Dept. of Interior saying the school section to the south of the city desired for a cemetery could only be sold on request of the Board of Education. Filed.

Aid. Hughes urged prompt communication with the Board of Education to this end.

Barclay—Bucke—That the firemen be exempt from poll tax, and that all who have paid receive a refund.

Stewart saw no reason why a discrimination should be made for firemen better increase their salary.

The motion was amended to read that a refund be made to all who had paid, and carried in that form.

Resolution of Hughes and Cameron, that the council use its best efforts to induce the Board of Education to urge the Dept. of Interior to offer for sale that part of school section used as a cemetery, was carried.

On motion of Stewart and Bucke:  
Whereas Almighty God in His divine wisdom has suddenly removed from our midst by death Archibald L. McMillan, chief of police in the City of Brandon.

He it therefore resolved that the Corporation of the City of Brandon in council assembled desires to place on record its sincere regret and sorrow at his sudden and lamentable death, having always held him in the highest esteem, and knowing him to have been a most efficient and energetic officer. The care and good judgement he always displayed, and the deep interest he showed in the maintenance of good order in the city made him exceedingly popular with the general public.

And further the Corporation would express to the widow and relations of the deceased, its deep sympathy with them in this hour of their great affliction, and that a copy of this be sent to the widow and the mother of the deceased.

A CHESTNUT IN A NEW BURR.

"Misfortunes never come singly," said a sad-faced man to a friend.

"What's the matter now?"

"There's a new pair of twins—both girls at my house."

"Chesternut!"

"I know it; that's just what I told my wife. All my other children are girls, too."

DRUNKENNESS, OR THE LIQUOR HABITS, CAN BE CURED BY ADMINISTERING DR. HAINES' GOLDEN SPECIFIC.

It can be given in a cup of coffee or tea without the knowledge of the person taking it, effecting a speedy and permanent cure, whether the patient is a moderate drinker or an alcoholic wretch. Thousands of drunkards have been made temperate who have taken the Golden Specific in their cups without their knowing it, and to this hour have quit drinking of their own free will, and have received no results from its administration. Cure guaranteed. Circulars and testimonials sent free. Address, GOLDENSPECIFIC CO., 188 Race St., Cincinnati, O.

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A. R. BOSWELL,  
Solicitor for applicants.

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# A Merry Christmas to All !

FROM

# CHEAPSIDE !

And a cordial invitation to call and see the special Lines and Bargains we have for the Present Season.

## IN THE DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT

We have just to hand repeat orders in Dress Goods, Velvets and Plushes, Grey Flannels, Woolen Yarns, Wool Scarfs in Cardinal Grenate, Sky white and black, Mantle cloths in Jersey Cloth, Scalette, Beaver and Nap Clothes, with New Fur Trimmings and Ornaments to match. A large line of Fancy Goods and Novelties such as Silk Handkerchiefs, Silk Ties, Lace Collars, Wool Cuffs, Mitts and Gloves, Gold and Silver Tinsil, Gold Braids &c. **WHITE AND GREY BLANKETS AT BARGAINS. WHITE AND COLORED QUILTS AND COMFORTERS AT BARGAINS.** Ladies Wool Underwear, Corsets &c. In fact for the greatest variety and best values go to CHEAPSIDE.

## IN THE FUR GOODS DEPARTMENT

We have still a large range of Ladies' Astrachan Mantles—first class goods—ranging in price from \$22 up. A second lot of Men's Coon Coats just to hand, also Buffalo and Dog Coats, Fur Caps in Seal, Persian, and Russian Lamb, Astrachan, Coney, Beaver &c. 25 Goat Robes at Bargains. In this line our goods are all this seasons and are sold without trouble on their merits.

## In Ready-made Clothing & Gents' Furnishings

We have just BOUGHT A BIG JOB LINE OF 100 MEN'S & BOY'S SUITS and 60 OVERCOATS, which we offer to the public at just about regular manufacturer's prices. Everyone should see them,—there is money in it. A Repeat order of 50 dozen Scarlet and Grey underwear, just to hand, which we have bought at a price that we can sell at **One Twenty-five per Suit.** Our stock of Gloves and Mits, Ties, Braces, Wool Socks, Fine Underwear, Top Shirts, in wool and drep, is second to none in the city.

## Boot & Shoe Department

We have just received a second lot of 15 cases Ovrshoes, which we offer at less than list prices. Full lines of ladies' Gents' Boys' Girls' Children's shoes of every kink always on hand. We have in stock 500 pairs Moccasins from infants up to the largest size, so that you can come to us and feel that you can get what you want.

## OUR GROCERY DEPARTMENT

Is well filled with fresh goods for the Christmas trade and our prices will be found right in every case.

### We Have Already Taken the Lead !

And it is our intention if square dealing, careful buying for cash and small profits will do so, then there is no doubt we will. Again we ask you to come and see our goods and be convinced.

**Atkinson & Nation,**

Cheapside Block, Cor. Rosser Av. & 8th St.



## BRANDON WEEKLY MAIL.

### MUNICIPALITY OF WHITE-HEAD.

Council met at Alexander Dec. 12th. Present Reeve in the chair, and Councillors, Gladstone, Valens, McMillan, Haig, Crighton and Jeacock.

From J. McEwen, re arrears of taxes on land \$12,19, 22. From F. Mitchell, re arrears of taxes on land \$16, 9, 21. From G. Lomond, re confirmation of re-adjustments of Ainsdale School District. Filed.

From J. M. Egan, re fencing C. P. R.

Fence Line, Yelton, re statute labor.

From T. Haig, That Thos. Wm. and Crighton, Haig, be allowed to perform their R.C. Yelton, on the 16th Dec., and till same date, carried.

From T. Haig—Valens—That the following amounts as recommended by Finance Committee be paid:

Mr. McLean, fees as Deputy Returned Ward 2 ..... \$8.80

McLighton, do \$3 special ..... 6.00

McLighton, do ..... 15.19

McLighton, own fees ..... 2.50

Mr. McMillan, do ..... 2.80

John Hall, do \$3.60 special ..... 3.60

John Hall, do ..... 10.60

John Hall, do \$3 special ..... 6.00

John Hall, do ..... 4.00

John Valens, do ..... 3.00

John Armstrong, postage re

McLighton & Co. \$17.16

John T. Brandon, re

Dublin, the acts of which the crown will reserve the right to vote only upon the advice of the Irish Ministry. The Irish members will continue to sit in the Imperial Parliament at Westminster, and take part in Imperial legislation. The scheme further provides that Ireland have control of local police, and requires that Parnell furnish guarantees that the rights of the Ministry and the interests of the landlords will be protected.

THE NATIONALISTS.

DUBLIN, Dec. 14.—In an interview yesterday Mr. Harrington said that 1,600 National League branches, averaging 300 members had donated £12,000 sterling to the executive during the present year. He said that some of the Nationalist members of Parliament would receive salaries from the League. The extinction of the Liberal's cause, he thought, would immensely benefit the Irish cause. He considered that their defeat was due to the appeal to their religious brotherhood made by Lord Harrington in his speech at Belfast. Mr. Harrington also said that boycotting was outside of the League's programme, and that the practice was confined to a few branches. The executive, he said, would not meddle with local affairs, generally, but would stop boycotting whenever such power was misused.

LONDON, Dec. 14.—The elections are now decided. It is ascertained that the Liberals will be in a majority of from two to four. Many rumors current respecting the probable course of events. The only thing certain is that Lord Salisbury will not resign before the meeting of parliament. Several ministers strongly urge immediate resignation, but Lord Salisbury and Lord Randolph Churchill agree to stay in the nest until advised by their decision.

Mr. Gladstone has roughly outlined his proposed Irish administration bill. The measure, when drafted, will be submitted privately to Mr. Gladstone's leading supporters and representative Nationalists and exhaustively discussed before final adoption.

The main principles of the proposed measure are: The creation of elective body controlling railways, canals, highways, rivers, markets, water-lights, and administration of poor laws, county municipal governments, except the police. The bill will not interfere with Irish representation in the Imperial Parliament. The enactment of general laws, such as relate to the courts of justice, land, excise, customs and external communications are to remain in the hands of the Imperial Parliament. Ways and means will not be touched, one budget being introduced for the principality and kingdoms not at present covering the votes on supply for the army, navy, fortification, dockyards, police, etc., which means the retention in the hands of Parliament of executive power over all the offensive and defensive expenditures and administration of the whole country. Mr. Gladstone's opposition to the budget, and all it will involve, it is said, will be more imminent than real.

The best opinion here is that Salisbury will struggle for precedence in settling the Irish question, and he cannot accomplish his object he will offer to give way in favor of a joint measure produced on the principles that governed the compromise on the reform bill, and that the bill will then be introduced without a dissolution.

Great pressure is being exerted to induce Mr. Gladstone to restrict his proposed bill to the enlargement of existing local government in Ireland without a central legislature. The landed element in the party is likely to desert Mr. Gladstone if his measure, when finally framed, creates an Irish Parliament, and that a reorganization of parties must inevitably follow.

GLADSTONE'S GREAT DESIRE.

The Parnellites are in no way astonished at Mr. Gladstone's present solicitude to settle the Irish question. They have long known that he was likely to pose as the one British statesman who was capable of grappling with that stupendous problem. He had already conceded great benefits upon Ireland, and his vast ambition, bred by the splendor of the work, made him desirous to round off his glorious career with the settlement of this most difficult of political problems. All this was calculated upon by the Parnellites, and it made them perfectly confident that the grand old man would try to have a finger in the pie if it were in any way possible. Mr. Gladstone's recent utterances, both during and since the campaign, have now been narrowly scanned by the Parnellites. The inference is drawn that, although he would prefer to be able to ignore Parnell through a large majority, he always left the door open through which to meet the Irish leader. Therefore it was Parnell's secret wish, although nobody in England has yet discovered it, that Gladstone should have a small majority—just enough to swear by and to enable him to brag that, after all, he granted home rule from pure love of justice.

PARNELL'S ADVANTAGE.

Events are rapidly justifying Mr. Parnell's forecast. The proofs are plain that Gladstone is failing to deal with home rule. That is the meaning of the rapid succession of visitors to Hawarden castle, or to day's Daily News leader, and of Herbert Gladstone's outspoken letter in favor of home rule. Mr. Parnell has not yet been consulted, but the reason of that is plain. The difficulty is not between Parnell and Gladstone. Probably the English programme is so very far removed from Parnell's. The difference between Gladstone and his own colleagues is the redifficulty.

If he can persuade the League to accept Gladstone will without doubt move a vote of confidence in the present government. If he fails to persuade them, Salisbury will be allowed to continue in office for a while. The summing up of the situation is that Salisbury will govern until the Liberals have accepted Parnell's terms.

PROTECTION vs. FREE TRADE.

The question of free trade vs. fair trade is being brought prominently to the front by the champions of both systems. The Cobden Club has awakened to the alarming strength of the anti-free-traders, and declares that if their strength continues to increase for a few years more at the same rate they will probably be able to effect vast fiscal changes. Alarmed at this prospect, the club is now begging its wealthy members to subscribe for a propaganda fund with which to combat the Protectionists.

The Tories, on the other hand, are cleverly using President Cleveland's message to make

the creation of an Irish Parliament at

the expense revenue that they will soon be compelled to remit many of the duties on imports, not from any love of free trade, but because it is necessary to spend the surplus somehow.

The Libera's have counter manifestos setting forth that hundreds of thousands of people are out of work in the United States as a result of protection.—Cablegram to Chicago Times.

### GLENWOOD COUNCIL.

Council met Dec. 9th.

Present Reeve Kirchhoffer, and Councillors, Henderson Fenwick, McPherson, Kerr and Brown.

Fenwick—Kerr—That the following School Districts be paid as follows:

Huron, \$14.50; Beresford, \$60.00; Paisley, \$24.50; River View, \$140. Carried.

Brown—Henderson—Report that the culvert at Mr. Cooper's is completed according to contract. Adopted.

McPherson, report that the bridge north of Mr. Burley's house is completed according to contract. Adopted.

By-law No. 79 appointing returning officers and polling places for elections of Reeve and Councillors read and passed.

Kerr—McPherson—That the following accounts be paid:

W. V. Edwards for building bridge north of Mr. Burley's house, etc.

sections 9 & 10 \$8.51 ..... \$85.00

Brandon MAIL printing ..... 13.00

Hughes & Patrick, lumber ..... 65.97

Edwards and Clark repairing

approaches to the bridge south of Burley's ..... 42.40

John Bradley, repairing bridge ..... 4.50

Carried.

Kerr—Brown—That Robert and Andrew Moffat get credit for their statute labor tax for 1885, amounting to \$7 in full of R. Moffat's account for work done on the Souris crossing. Carried.

Kerr—McPherson—That tenders be called for the removal of the ferry, and leaving it on the ice. Carried.

Kerr—Fenwick—That should the amount of the judgement obtained against John Shannon, the late Treasurer, be not immediately paid action be taken at once against his securities. Carried.

Adjourned to meet on Thursday, Dec. 31st.

J. DOLMAGE, Clerk.

### CONSUMPTION CURED.

An old physician, retired from practice, having for many years, his residence at East India missionary, the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma and all throat and Lung Affections, also a positive add radical cure for nervous debility and rheumatism, and for all diseases of the heart, liver, kidneys, spleen, etc. It is wonderful in its powers in thousands of cases, has lost it's duty to make it known to his suffering fellowmen.

Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge, to all who desire it, the complete French and German French and with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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We are Selling Goods for the Cold Season at very LOW FIGURES.

## BARGAINS

In Furs, Woolens, Moccasins, Mitts, Fur Coats, Underclothing, etc.

Come & look through our Mammoth Stock

### FRASER BROS.

Masonic Block, Brandon.

### Post Office Notice.

Mails are Received and Dispatched from the Brandon Office as follows:

#### RECEIVED

From the east daily at 3 p.m.

west, daily at 12 p.m.

Rapid City, daily, at 11:30 a.m.

Millford route, Wednesdays, Saturdays &

6 p.m.

Sorris, &c., Tuesday, 5 p.m.

Antlers, Menota, Souris, &c., Thursday at

5 p.m.

Deloraine route, 5 p.m.

Pendennis, Fridays, at 11 a.m.

For the east daily at 12:30 p.m.

west, 3 p.m.

Brand City daily at 2:30 p.m.

Millford route, Tuesdays at 7 a.m.

6 p.m.

Sorris, &c., Tuesdays, 7 a.m.

Antlers, Menota, Souris, &c., Fridays, 7 a.m.

Deloraine, Fridays, at 7 a.m.

Pendennis, Fridays, 2:30 p.m.

Mails for the east and west close at 12 and 2:30 respectively.

Registered matter for the east must be in at 11:45 a.m.

J. C. KAVANAGH,

Post Master

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## Hardware

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### CORNER 7th and

### ROSSER AVENUE.

## Storm Windows !

PRICES REDUCED

For the balance of the season.

### No House Can be Comfortable

Without them. Send your orders to the factory and get lowest prices.

# EXTRAORDINARY NEWS !

For the People of Manitoba and the Northwest.

- GEO. BAWDEN -

## Clothier & General Outfitter of the City of Brandon.

Having paid a visit to the Eastern Markets during the past summer, I made some very heavy purchases in several lines of Fall and Winter goods, such as Tweed Suits, Tweed Overcoats.

### Etoff Ulsters, Underclothing & Heavy Woolen Shirts.

At greatly reduced prices---that are usually paid for first-class goods ; and finding when his immense stock arrived that it was altogether too large for his old place of business,

#### THE GOLDEN LION CLOTHING STORE.

Has been compelled to open a second place of business in DURST'S new brick block, known as

### BEAVER HALL CLOTHING STORE.

Where the Rush for FIRST-CLASS CLOTHING, GENT'S FURNISHINGS and FURS of all descriptions has been going on for the past two weeks. Do not fail to pay a visit to either of the above stores if you wish to get more than value for the money invested.

GEO. BAWDEN, the only Clothier and Outfitter in the City of Brandon.

#### TOWN TOPICS

Mr. Hanna, of Griswold, was in the city Monday.

The down express now reaches Brandon at 11 a. m. instead of 12 as formerly.

Lethbridge, N. W. T., is going to have a branch of the Union Bank of Lower Canada shortly.

All the flags in the city have been at half mast since Thursday, out of respect for the memory of Chief McMillan.

Reeve Kirchhofer and lady, and Messrs. Wm. Steele and Jas. Hopkins, of the Souris, were in the city Monday.

Our Methodist friends at Alexander, had a very successful meeting on Monday night. Upwards of \$100 was realized, and the church building was made to hold all, the church being so many from a distance.

The Farmers' Union is down on the Free Press, and some of the members say there are no politicians in the organization. Pray, what is Joseph Martin, M. P. P., for? For tage la Prairie, if he is not the most unresponsible Grit in the country!

The sincere thanks of the W. C. T. Union are hereby kindly tendered to Mr. Kennedy, for his donation to their free reading room of the Christian Guardian, and to Mr. Jackson for the Weekly Mail, and the Citizen.

A crowded house greeted "Ten Nights in a Bar Room" as produced in this city under the auspices of the Brandon Bicycle Club at the Royal Roller Rink. The acting, with one or two exceptions, was very good for Amateurs, and the audience seemed pleased.

We ask the public one and all to give the MAIL Bookstore, Post Office building, a trial, when in search of goods for holiday season, whether toys, fancy goods or books. Our stock is one of the most complete in the North West, and notwithstanding what others may say about low prices, our prices are as low as the lowest. Give us a trial, and verify the statement.

The tactics of the Grit party at the present must be a source of astonishment to all who look into the history of the party. Ever since Confederation and for a long time before it, the Grits used to shout themselves hoarse over "French dominance," and now when the government is making an effort to convince the world it is superior to French dominance, the Grits are praying that it may be defeated in the struggle. That is the consistency of the party—it is bidding for the "dominance" to help itself into power.

As we intend to give a detailed statement of all the buildings erected and other improvements made in the city, at the close of the year, with the names of all proprietors and mechanics connected with the work, we should

be obliged if all interested would leave written particulars at the office of this paper. A reporter though as careful as he can be, cannot if unassisted in such work avoid mistakes, and then some of the interested parties fairly represented attribute the mistakes or oversights, whichever they may be, to wilful omissions on the part of the newspaper managers. It is to avoid this we ask for information in time, so that the opportunity for the usual comments or mistakes may be avoided.

Mr. Daly went to Carberry on Wednesday last, to defend Mr. W. G. Aleck in a charge of embezzlement of school moneys. When the nature of the charge was explained to the Superintendent of schools, who was present, he advised the withdrawal, and Mr. Aleck was honorably acquitted. It was evident the charge was made at the outgrowth of some personal animus. At the same time a charge against Mr. Babb Jr., for the larceny of some flour from Mr. Peiley, was also made, as it was shown no theft was either made or intended. It is but right to say Mr. Peiley never advised the action.

Councillor Wm. Smith, of Glengowd, was in the city on Monday, on his return from Ontario, where he had been on a month's visit. After seeing how things are in the old province, Mr. Smith is convinced there is a bright future for this country. He says a bushel of wheat is at 85 cents there, it is at 80 cents here, and that at 45 cents is a better price to the farmer, taking yield and other circumstances into account. On reaching Brandon, Mr. Smith learned his municipality was being circulated in his municipality to induce him to stand for the Re-vision, but he says he will decline, as he can serve the people equally well as Councillor.

The annual meeting of Brandon Agricultural Society No. 1, was held in the City Hall, Monday, and the following officers were elected: C. Pilling, Pres.; F. Clegg, Vice-Pres.; D. W. Shaw, 2nd Vice-Pres.; Mayor Smar, J. W. Van Tassel, J. E. Smith, E. Fitz Buckle, C. Adams and J. W. Sifton, Directors; J. M. Robinson and A. Alarkin, Auditors. It is deeply regretted the public do not take more interest in the meetings of this institution as it is one of the best in the country.

Mr. T. Kingston of Prescott, Ont., brother-in-law of Mr. T. B. Murdoch, is in the city, and is delighted with the sights to be seen. The surroundings are so much more like civilization than he expected to see them.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Editor BRANDON MAIL:  
Sir,—I hereby tender my sincere thanks to the Ladies and Gentlemen of Brandon and vicinity, for the very substantial evidence of sympathy they have shown toward my family and myself since the late disastrous fire, whereby our house and furniture were completely destroyed.

W. D. MATHESON.

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